

Marsikyan v. MBUSA, Case No. CV08-04876 AHM (C.D.Cal.) Objection to settlement

Hon. A. Howard Matz United States District Court Central District of California

Dear Judge Matz- in accordance with the instructions received from the class representative I am providing the following required information:

- i. Patrick J. McKinley, 360 Ortega Ridge Road, Santa Barbara, California 93108. 805-969-2513
- ii. 2002, MBZ 500CL, CP- VIN# WDBPJ75J32A030000 (current owner)
- iii. Marsikian v. MBUSA, case # CV08-04876 AHM (C.D. Cal.)
- iv. Written objection to settlement- see below statement
- v. No documents/papers attached or referred to.
- vi. I have never filed an objection to any state or federal case ever.
- vii. I am not represented by counsel- but am an active California State Bar member.

Objection to settlement: I have had this vehicle for a number of years and am thunderstruck that someone wants money because leaves and pine needles etc fell on top of the car and clogged a drain valve. When I park under a tree, esp a pine tree, I would think that most people realize that debris falls on a car, that it does not disappear, and in the case of pine needles you want to get them off the car, and out from under the windshield wiper etc, for the OBVIOUS reason that debris on the car can harm the finish, clog things, and get in to the hood, trunk, etc. One might ask what is worth a million and a half dollars in attorneys fees to get a few cars fixed in the rare instance that a problem actually developed. I just think that cases like this- with these exorbitant attorneys fees, say a lot about what is wrong with the tort system. I do not think that most MBZ owners park under trees for very long- most will garage

the car etc- and those that do will do what is obvious- take or wash the debris off the car, not let it sit, wait a few years, then file a lawsuit claiming you did not know that pine needles can go down the grill etc.. A "google" search reveals a few hits on this lawsuit, and ONE person who had a problem!

So Judge Matz- I ask that you take a hard look at the minimal benefit this lawsuit has brought to our "class" and act accordingly. I would ask just how many people did have a problem that they had to pay for, as I doubt that it is anywhere close to justifying this predatory behavior by the lead plaintiff and their law firm.

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Executed under penalty of perjury this 212 day of March, 2010, at Santa Barbara, California.

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